

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
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County Clerk  
County of Orange  
601 N. Ross Street,  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

**From:** Caltrans – District 12  
1750 E 4<sup>th</sup> St Ste 100  
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Project Title: 12-0V060 Replace CMS on RT 74 7 Remove Solar panels for VDS on RT 241

Project Applicant: Caltrans – District 12

Project Location - Specific: 12-ORA-74/241-R2.31, 17.86/33.34

Project Location - City: Rancho Santa Margarita, Mission Viejo, Lake Forest, Irvine, Orange and Anaheim

Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project work includes replacing an existing Changeable Message Sign (CMS) and removing existing Solar VDS stations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans District 12

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans District 12

Exempt Status (**check one**):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 15301 - Existing Facilities Class 1 d
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

A rehabilitation of deteriorated existing facilities to replace existing CMS and remove existing Solar VDS stations.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Smita Deshpande

Phone number: 949-724-2245

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?

Yes       No

Signature: Smita Deshpande      Date: 10/4/24      Title: SR Environmental Scientist

Signed by Lead Agency       Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.